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Listing of the Claims:

1. (Original) A picking station for picking articles out of storage containers by a picking person, comprising:

a conveying system which is connected to said picking station for conveying said storage containers, said conveying system including a conveying track;

said conveying track having a longitudinal axis;

a working area configured for picking said articles from said storage containers, wherein said conveying track leads through said working area, at least allowing feeding of said storage containers to said working area; and

wherein said conveying track is tilted about said longitudinal axis towards said picking person, at least in said working area of said picking person.

- 2. (Original) The picking station as claimed in claim 1, wherein said conveying track is tilted substantially in said working area of said picking person only.
- 3. (Original) The picking station as claimed in claim 1, wherein said conveying track further includes:

a tilting device for tilting said storage containers, which are to be transported into said working area, into a tilted position.

4. (Original) The picking station as claimed in claim 3, wherein said tilting device is arranged in front of said working area.

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5. (Original) The picking station as claimed in claim 3, wherein said conveying track further includes:

a tilt-back device for tilting back said storage container from said tilted position.

- 6. (Original) The picking station as claimed in claim 5, wherein said tilt-back device is arranged subsequent to said working area.
- 7. (Original) The picking station as claimed in claim 1, wherein said conveying track is a roller track or a conveying belt.
- 8. (Original) The picking station as claimed in claim 1, wherein said conveying track is arranged in said working area at handling height of said picking person.
- 9. (Original) The picking station as claimed in claim 8, wherein said handling height is at a height from chest to hip.
- 10. (Original) The picking station as claimed in claim 1, wherein said working area is defined by an arm reach of said picking person.
- 11. (Original) The picking station as claimed in claim 1, wherein said conveying system also transports order containers, into which said articles are picked from the storage containers for processing an order, to and/or away from said picking station.
- 12. (Original) The picking station as claimed in claim 1, wherein said order containers are likewise tilted in said working area of said picking person.

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13. (Original) A picking system having at least one picking station, said picking station comprising:

a conveying system which is connected to said picking station for conveying said storage containers, said conveying system including a conveying track;

said conveying track having a longitudinal axis;

a working area at which said picking person can pick articles from said storage containers, wherein said conveying track leads through said working area, at least for the inward transport of said storage containers; and

wherein said conveying track is tilted about said longitudinal axis towards said picking person, at least in said working area of said picking person.

14. (Original) The picking system of claim 13, wherein said conveying track further includes:

a tilting device for tilting said storage containers, which are to be transported into said working area, into a tilted position.

15. (Original) The picking system of claim 14, wherein said conveying track further includes:

a tilt-back device for tilting back said storage container from said tilted position.

16. (Original) The picking system as claimed in claim 15, wherein said tilt-back device is arranged subsequent to said working area.

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17. (Original) The picking system as claimed in claim 13, wherein said conveying track is arranged in said working area at handling height of the picking person.

18. (Currently Amended) A method for picking orders, wherein storage containers are transported to a picking station, said picking station comprising:

a conveying system which is connected to said picking station for conveying said storage containers, said conveying system including a conveying track;

said conveying track having a longitudinal axis;

a working area at which said picking person can pick articles from said storage containers, wherein said conveying track leads through said working area, at least for the inward transport of said storage containers; and

wherein said conveying track is tilted about said longitudinal axis towards said picking person, at least in said working area of said picking person;

including the step of:

bringing said storage containers into a tilted position on the conveying track before said articles can be picked from said storage containers in said working area.